Harley Dale Rose, Sr., 90

Harley Dale Rose, Sr., 90, of Montezuma, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 19, 2012, at his home. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 22, at the Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. Interment will be held in the Jackson Township Cemetery at Montezuma. Memorials may be directed to the Montezuma Fire and Ambulance or to the Blakley-Stevens American Legion. Friends may send condolences or sign the online guestbook at www.hollandcoblenursalhome.com.

Harley Dale Rose, Sr., son of Harley William Rose and Esther Gardner Rose was born on Dec. 14, 1922, at Rose Hill. He attended school and enlisted in the United States Coast Guard in 1941. On Jan. 14, 1945, Harley married Beatrice Eloise Walden. After his military service, Harley returned home and worked at the What Cheer Pottery plant, hauled corn, and worked for various farmers. He was resourceful and took pride in caring for the livestock that he was responsible for. He enjoyed fishing, shows at the What Cheer Opera House, and bus trips with his wife. He also loved road trips and picnics with his family. He was a member of the American Legion and will be remembered as a simple family man.

He is survived by his son, Harley Dale Rose, Jr. (Nancy) of Oskaloosa; his daughters, Martha Hicks of Grinnell, Diana (Roger) Gregson of Montezuma, and Joyce Rose of Montezuma; his grandchildren, Rebecca Froias, Roger Gregson, Esther Rose, William Rose and Rosemary Lancaster; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Harley was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; his daughter, Mary Elizabeth Rose; his grandson, Gary Billy Hicks; his son-in-law, Gary Hicks; his sisters, Icie Mae Reed and Ida Fae Rose; and his brother, Harold Rose.

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